

REMARKS

Claims 7-10, and 24 are pending. Claims 7-10 were allowed in the office action dated January 26, 2006. Claim 24 has been amended to contain the language of claims 7-10. Support for this amendment can be found throughout the specification and specifically at page 19, lines 5 and 6. No new matter is introduced with this amendment. With the entering of this amendment claims 7-10 and 24 will be pending.

I. Amended Claim 24 of the Instant Invention is Patentable over Japanese Patent Application H5-194225 and U.S. 5,536,735

Claim 24 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over H5-194225 ("Oishi") or U.S. 5,536,735 ("Takechi").

The Office Action states that the Applicants' arguments from the Response submitted with the Request for Continued Examination dated October 28, 2005 are persuasive for the claim limitation of the molecular ratio of glycine to the anti-ulcerative compound of 0.43:1 and 1:1 because the prior art references of record, namely Oishi et al., as well as Takechi et al., only generically teach of broader molecular ratios of the anti-ulcerative compound with glycine. This limitation was found to distinguish claims 7-10 over the prior art of record. Claim 24 has been amended to recite this limitation. Applicants put forth that claim 24 is now in condition for allowance for the same reasons that claims 7-10 were allowed in the office action dated January 26, 2006.

Thus, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw this rejection.

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CONCLUSION

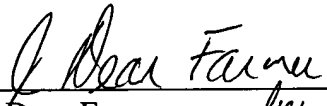
Applicants respectfully submit that the basis for rejection of claim 24 is now moot. The Examiner is requested to reconsider the rejections and to withdraw them and to pass this case to issuance.

A two-month extension of time is enclosed herewith, in addition to the required fee. No other fees are believed to be due in connection with this response. However, please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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